## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 923 By Hargett

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Leslie Michelle O'Neal, 2002 Salutatorian of Bolton High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Michelle O'Neal is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2002 graduating class at Bolton High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. O'Neal has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Leslie Michelle O'Neal has earned an exemplary 4.0 Grade Point Average; she also earned a composite score of 25 on the ACT; and

WHEREAS, her mastery of academic subjects has won Ms. O'Neal the highest average awards in Algebra I and II, the second highest average award in Honors Chemistry and a listing on the Principal Honor Roll every six weeks of her high school career; a well-rounded student and a four-year Varsity Volleyball Team member, she is listed in *Who's Who in Sports* for 2002,

was a Wendy's High School Heisman Nominee in 2001, won the Volleyball Coach's Award in 2001 and has been listed for four years in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Michelle O'Neal has expanded her horizons as a member of the National Honor Society, the National Beta Club, the Key Club and Business Professionals of America; beyond her school activities, she has participated in Bridge Builders for three years; Memphis Juniors Volleyball Association for two years; the MIFA Toy Drive and the Memphis Botanic Garden Breakfast with Santa in 2000; the Memphis Botanic Garden Rake, Shovel and Hoe, the Mid-South Air Show, Volunteer Girls State in 2001, Memphis Union Mission, Ronald McDonald House, and Hope House in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Ms. O'Neal's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she plans to attend Christian Brothers University to pursue a major in chemical engineering; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Michelle O'Neal's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. O'Neal's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Bolton High School Salutatorian, Leslie Michelle O'Neal, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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